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PATENT

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: Antonino La Malfa et al.

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METHOD FOR SOFT-PROGRAMMING AN ELECTRICALLY ERASABLE NONVOLATILE MEMORY DEVICE, AND AN

ELECTRICALLY ERASABLE NONVOLATILE MEMORY
DEVICE IMPLEMENTING THE SOFT-PROGRAMMING

METHOD

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2006 please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on May 24, 2006. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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